1	S.280
2	Representative Pugh of South Burlington moves that the report of the
3	Committee on Human Services as amended by the Committee on
4	Appropriation be further amended by striking out Sec. 2 in its entirety and
5	inserting in lieu thereof new Secs. 2 and 3 to read as follows:
6	Sec. 2. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 60, Sec. 23 is amended to read:
7	Sec. 23. JOINT LEGISLATIVE CHILD PROTECTION OVERSIGHT
8	COMMITTEE
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10	(c) Powers and duties.
11	(1) The Committee shall÷
12	(A) Exercise exercise oversight over Vermont's system for protecting
13	children from abuse and neglect, including:
14	(i)(A) evaluating whether the branches, departments, agencies, and
15	persons that are responsible for protecting children from abuse and neglect are
16	effective;
17	(ii)(B) determining if there are deficiencies in the system and the
18	causes of those deficiencies;
19	(iii)(C) evaluating which programs are the most cost-effective; and

1	(iv)(D) determining whether there is variation in policies,
2	procedures, practices, and outcomes between different areas of the State and
3	the causes and results of any such variation;
4	(v) evaluating whether licensed mandatory reporters should be
5	required to certify that they completed training on the requirements set forth
6	under 33 V.S.A. § 4913; and
7	(vi) evaluating the measures recommended by the Working Group
8	to Recommend Improvements to CHINS Proceedings established in Sec. 24 of
9	this act to ensure that once a child is returned to his or her family, the court or
10	the Department for Children and Families may continue to monitor the child
11	and family where appropriate.
12	(B) The Committee shall report any proposed legislation on or before
13	January 15, 2016 to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary, the House
14	Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and
15	Welfare.
16	(2) The Committee may review and make recommendations to the
17	House and Senate Committees on Appropriations regarding budget proposals
18	and appropriations relating to protecting children from abuse and neglect.
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- 1 (h) Sunset. On June 1, 2018 2022, this section (creating the Joint
- 2 Legislative Child Protection Oversight Committee) is repealed and the
- 3 Committee shall cease to exist.
- 4 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATES
- 5 This act shall take effect on passage; provided, however, that if the date of
- passage is after June 1, 2018, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. 2 shall
- 7 <u>apply retroactively to June 1, 2018.</u>